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This Response is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 5, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Response.

The present invention is directed to a crosspoint switch which has a substantially reduced power requirements from prior art crosspoint switches. The reduced power requirements are obtained by driving both the input buses to the crosspoints and the output buses from the